



Job Title: Police Co-Responder Clinician		Unit: Clarke Mental Health/Athens Clarke County PD
Status: Full Time		Location of Position: Clarke County
Posting Date: July 18, 2019	Application Deadline Date: Until Filled	Job Code: HCP120

Police Co-Responder Clinician

Position summary: The duties of this unique position include decreasing admissions to jail, emergency rooms and inpatient psychiatric units. The Co-Responder will work within the Athens Clarke County Police Department providing community based interventions and assessments of individuals who come in contact with law enforcement for behavioral health related calls. The Co-Responder will provide interventions at various locations in the community, including, on the scene with a law enforcement officer once safety has been determined. This position works as an employee of Advantage Behavioral Health, but will have a satellite office at the Athens Clarke County Police Department. Typical hours will be between 2:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M., Monday – Friday (depending on the needs of the project).

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Provides support and assistance to Responding Officers
 - a. Supports police officers responding to behavioral health related calls. This may include via the radio and/or phone.
 - b. Communicated important safety information to officers when appropriate
 - c. Once safety has been determined, will also provide on the scene crisis response with a law enforcement officer
- Performs assessments
 - a. Conducts comprehensive clinical assessments and inpatient psychiatric screens as a part of crisis intervention; identifies individual needs and diagnoses substance use and/or mental health disorders; assesses individual risk for suicide and other safety related concerns; determines the need for inpatient psychiatric treatment or outpatient services and supports. Provides referral; interprets and communicates relevant information to officers, families and treatment providers
- Coordinates Referrals
 - i. If Releases of Information have been obtained, provides PD with information on Advantage Behavioral Health treatment history and diagnosis information
 - ii. Assists in a “warm hand off” to the treatment facility (Advantage Behavioral Health or other treatment facility)
- a. Internal Case Management
 - i. Assists in crisis follow-up and treatment coordination within Advantage Behavioral Health and/or outside treatment providers. This includes referrals to individual, group, PSR-I, case management, day programs, medical, ITP, ACT, CST and EPIC services
 - ii. Communicates with treatment staff on individuals seen in crisis and provides any information that may help the treatment provider in follow-up
- a. Follow-up and Outreach
 - i. Provides follow-up and outreach to individuals and/or families who may be dealing with Mental Health issues and it has been determined that they could benefit from outreach and/or resources in the community

- Provides program related documentation
 - a. Assists in program related activities to include data collection, reports and other documentation
- Completes clinical documentation, as required
- Attends required training for the project and Advantage Behavioral Health
- Maintains regular contact with Project Director
 - a. The frequency will be determined based on the needs of staff and the program
- Performs other related duties, as assigned

Minimum Qualifications:

Candidate must have at least a Master's Degree from an accredited educational institution in Psychology, Social Work, or Community Counseling AND an active LPC, LCSW or Psychologist license in the state of Georgia. Experience in Crisis and/or Mobile Crisis work.

TO APPLY

Applications must be received by the deadline date to be considered. Apply for the available position by submitting your resume to jcox@advantagebhs.org. Once your resume is considered, you will be asked to complete the State Application.

State application can be found at <http://www.advantagebhs.org/employee-forms.cms>.

Advantage Behavioral Health Systems
Human Resource Recruiter
250 North Avenue, Athens, Georgia 30601

Applicants are subject to criminal records, drug screening, employment, and/or background checks.

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